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RECOMMENDATION #8

It is undesirable that CIA must depend on a guard force responsible to another agency with full Civil Service job protection. The DD/S and the Director of Security, in collaboration with General Counsel, should determine what administrative and legal problems must be overcome in order to develop a guard force trained and controlled by CIA.

ACTION

The matter of an independent CIA guard force has heretofore been given a great amount of consideration. It has been determined by the DD/S that until the Agency is housed in one building, it is not feasible administratively to establish an independent guard force.

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RECOMMENDATION #12

The Personnel-Medical-Security Panel which considers complicated security cases at the request of the Director of Security should be expanded to include two additional disinterested persons, chosen from the Deputy Director (Plans) and Deputy Director (Intelligence) components.

ACTION

The Office of Security does not concur with this recommendation as it does not appear to be consistent with the purpose of the Panel. The Survey Report is in error in stating that the purpose of the Panel is to pass upon complicated security cases. In fact, the security determination on any individual is the responsibility of the Security Office.

The purpose of the Personnel-Medical-Security Panel is to permit the Security Office to bring to the collective attention of the Personnel and Medical Offices miscellaneous, often unverified information, which has been secured during the investigative process. Such information, while not affecting the basic security determination, can often assist the Medical and Personnel Offices in making appropriate determinations in their respective areas of responsibility, since it can materially assist in the interpretation and evaluation of the official information compiled by these offices..

In terms of the above, the recommendation that "two disinterested persons chosen from the DD/P and DD/I components" be added to the Panel would appear to serve no purpose. Rather, it would appear to involve the disclosure of information secured through investigative techniques to Agency components having no need to know.

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RECOMMENDATION #20-o

Page 22, paragraph 3, indicates that the Cover Branch is over-staffed by three professionals and one clerk.

ACTION

The policy decision to place the responsibility for the establishment and maintenance of cover with the Central Cover Division, DD/P, eliminated certain functions of the former Cover Branch. The personnel of the Cover Branch have been transferred to the Support Branch and are concerned only with the support of cover problems. The former Cover Branch had a T/O of [REDACTED]. This T/O has been reduced to [REDACTED], a number which is not presently considered excessive. In any event, no further action is contemplated pending the completion of the current Management Survey.

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RECOMMENDATION #20-s

On pages 36 and 37 of the Survey Report, the recommendation is made that the Director of Security should undertake a study leading to a determination as to the most feasible method of centralizing responsibility for physical security inspections.

ACTION

The Director of Security has made a study of the feasibility of centralizing all physical security inspections and does not consider that such centralization would result in greater efficiency or security. At present, physical security inspections are conducted by the Physical Security Division. This type of inspection is a technical one and it is believed the function properly belongs in the Physical Security Division. The Security Support Division conducts inspections of covert installations and it is decidedly preferable from the standpoint of security that such inspections remain in the component of this office handling covert matters. The Inspection Staff conducts over-all security investigations as required. These investigations encompass all phases of security, of which physical security is one factor. Where technical assistance is desired as concerns physical security measures, such assistance is readily obtainable from the Physical Security Division.

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